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Several gentlemen can be accommodated with nice furnished rooms in a healthy portion of the town at a low price. For further information, apply at this office.

High Water.

The freshest in the Wateree last night came up to within four inches of the mark reached by the big fresh.

May—the highest points ever reached by the water in this vicinity—that is, no record shows any other point.

Special Levy for the Graded School.

Obedience to a notice from the School Commissioner, a small number of the taxpayers in School District No. 1 met in the Council Chamber on Wednesday last week and passed a resolution requesting that a special levy of 15 mills of an extra tax be levied in School District for the maintenance of the graded schools in said District.

Up for Business.

Barfield has had his property repaired and is ready to resume his favorite resort because of the

first-class goods at such a bargain. The front of the

been painted a bright red to attract attention

any passer-by. May

meet with the success he so well

deserves.

Another Report for June.

During the month of June there were eleven rainy days in this vicinity, the whole rainfall amounting to

in excess of 7 inches, which (with

exception of June, 1875, when

inches fell) was the heaviest fall

rain we have had in twenty

years.

Another Engine.

It has been clearly shown that our engines are useless if called

for service in the upper portion

of the town. Under these

circumstances there was nothing for

the Chief of the Department to do

but have one of the old hand

repaired and made ready for

in case of a fire in that

portion of the town. This engine can

be used with water from the wells,

and from it a good stream can be

run for at least a hundred feet.

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and coughs, will sell it on a positive

guarantee. It will surely cure any

inflammation of the throat, lungs

and in order to prove our

we ask you to call and get a

little free.

Survey of the Wateree.

W. H. Bixby, of the United

States Survey, was in Camden

looking after the Wateree

survey. He was here to make

of the river and examine it

as possible in order that he

make some estimate as to the

amount of work it would require

to improve its navigation. Also,

having drawn plans in the

ridges that span the river

are now a bar to its free

navigation.

Owing to the high water

at the time it was impossible

Mortuary.

During the month of June there were three deaths in the town of Camden—1 white adult and 1 white child, and 1 colored adult.

Bridge Washed Away.

Miller's bridge, over Lynches River, was washed away by the high water in the river last week. That bridge was built by Kershaw and Chesterfield counties, and was a free bridge. It is a heavy loss to the county, as it will require a considerable outlay to replace it.

A New Democratic Club.

A number of the citizens of Camden and vicinity met in Town Hall on last Tuesday evening and organized a new Democratic club. That club was known as Wateree Club. Capt. T. H. Clarke was elected President, Mr. G. G. Alexander Vice-President, with Mr. J. R. Drakeford as Secretary. The club already has a membership of about 78, with a good prospect of having over 100 by the time the convention meets.

Surrendering to their Factors.

We understand that several persons in this county have been so thoroughly disheartened at the continued reverses that have come upon them that they have gone to their liege lords and factors and turned over their crops and everything else upon which there was a lien or mortgage. They felt satisfied that to continue to work on under such pressure would only result in heavier losses still, and probably utter ruin.

Sumter District Conference.

The Sumter District Conference of the Methodist Church, Rev. A. J. Stokes Presiding Elder, will convene in Camden on next Wednesday evening, July 14th. Service will be held in the Methodist Church at 8:30 o'clock on that evening, and immediately after the service the Conference will be organized. It is thought that at least fifty ministers and laymen will be present as delegates. The membership in this District numbers nearly 5,000, and embraces about sixty churches.

A Serious Fight With Hoes.

A terrible fight occurred on last Friday above Camden between Amos Jones, Jr., and Harry Jones, (both colored) cousins. Amos indicted a fearful blow across Harry's forehead, and gave him another blow on the arm, making a very serious cut there, too. In return, Harry gave Amos some terrible blows on the head, and it is said, crushed his skull. Warrants have been issued for both parties, but Amos is laid up and unable to be moved, and it is thought he may die. Harry is in jail, bail being refused until the condition of Amos improves.

Wonderful Cures.

W. D. Hoyt & Co., Wholesale and Retail Druggists of Rome, Ga., say: We have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery, Electric Bitters and Bucklen's Arnica Salve for two years. Have never had better remedies that sell so well, or give such universal satisfaction. There have been some wonderful cures effected by these medicines in this city. Several cases of protracted consumption have been entirely cured by the use of a few bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery, taken in connection with Electric Bitters. We guarantee them always. Sold by C. J. Dunlap.

Be on the Lookout.

It is reported—and there is a good deal of foundation for the truth of the report, too—that the politicians will make a strong effort to capture the delegations from the various Democratic clubs in the county and get them to vote for the convention plan instead of the primary election for making nominations in our county. The politician knows from experience how easy it is to manipulate delegates to a convention, whereas the primary election system would completely block his game and make every candidate stand upon his merit.

No one will dispute the fact that a large majority of the Democratic voters in the county are in favor of the primary plan, and if it was left to them they would unquestionably adopt it, but the politicians will defeat their wishes if they can. Therefore, take warning in time, and see that you are not outflanked by the "wire-pullers."

Laid Waste by the Floods.

At last our farmers along the Wateree seem ready to give up in despair. The floods of last week have laid waste and destroyed all the crops on the low lands along the river, and it is now too late to plant again with any probability of being able to gather a crop from those lands this year, even under the most favorable circumstances. Never before in the memory of man has the river had as many overflows in one season, or has the water risen as high as during the present year. These farmers have worked hard and faced their reverses manfully until this last fell swoop blasted their hopes for this year.

The farmers in the uplands have also had many reverses. The con-

tinued rains have washed their lands into deep gullies and buried the cotton and corn in the valleys with the soil washed from the hillsides. Where there are no gullies the soil has been leached like an ash barrel, and all its fertility carried to the valleys below, leaving the corn and cotton plants with nothing to support them or make them grow.

The picture is a gloomy one, in fact, but it is a true one, and what the result will be no one knows. Bankruptcy will undoubtedly befall some of our farmers, while others will be strained to their utmost to meet their obligations.

County Sunday School Convention.

The 9th Annual County Sunday School Convention of Kershaw will be held at Pine Tree Church, fourteen miles east of Camden, on July 31st and August 1st. The Executive Committee met at the office of the *Wateree Messenger* on the 2nd inst., and arranged the following programme:

SATURDAY, JULY 31st.

- 1.—Organization, 10 a. m.
- 2.—Reports of Sunday Schools.
- 3.—Subject—"The duties and responsibilities of Superintendents and Teachers, especially in imparting the glorious truths of the Bible, and the necessary preparation for the work."
- 4.—Miscellaneous Business.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1st.

- 1.—Convention will meet at 10 a. m., and the first hour be given to devotional exercises.
- 2.—Subject—"The great aim of the Sunday School to assist the pious parent, and to supply the place, as far as can be, where no godly example exists, and above all to make the youth of our land savingly acquainted with the truth as it is in Jesus."
- 3.—Subject—"The duty of training the children in the Sunday School to contribute to the cause of missions."
- 4.—Adjournment.

Every school in the county is requested to send delegates. Each school is entitled to one delegate to every twenty-five members and one at large. Superintendents and clergymen are ex officio members of the Convention. The committee on statistics last year suggested that in electing delegates a little boy or girl from each school should be sent to the Convention.

This report with this suggestion, upon motion, was adopted.

Written reports of the schools are especially desirable.

Brevities.

We have had rain in this section every day this week.

The Fourth of July passed by unnoticed in Camden. No demonstration of any kind was made.

Put up your fruit this year in Mason's improved fruit jars—the quart and half-gallon sizes—for sale by Dr. Zemp. Cheaper than anywhere else.

Several of our citizens took advantage of the excursion rates to Charleston on last Saturday, and paid a flying visit to the city.

The fruit crop in this section promises to be an utter failure this year, as the continued rains have caused it to rot upon the trees before maturing.

Only a few home-raised melons have been offered for sale in this market this year, and they were of inferior quality. The outlook for good melons is gloomy.

We think the year 1886 can truly be entered upon the record as the "rainy year," when the losses to the farmers were equally as great as those caused by the terrible drouth of 1881.

The bent wood factory in Columbia has failed, and the machinery was sold last week to Mason & Ford, of Frankfort, Ky., who propose to run the business in the latter city.

Don't fail to attend the meeting of the county Democratic Executive Committee in the old Town Hall in Camden on next Saturday. Business of great importance will be discussed.

If we can have as clean a sweep in the election this fall as the continued rains and floods have made of the crops in this county, we don't think any one will have cause to say that ring rule continues.

During the high water last week two or three of the residents of West Wateree did a pretty fair business with a small boat by conveying passengers from the bridge to the high land on the other side.

The Grange.

The CAMDEN JOURNAL is the Official Organ of Pomona Grange No. 18—comprising sixteen subordinate Granges.

GEORGE W. BARNES, Editor Grange Department.

Pomona Grange.

Secretary W. K. Thompson wishes to announce that Pomona Grange No. 19 will hold its next regular meeting with Grange's Quarter Grange on Wednesday, July 21st, at which time it is earnestly desired that a full delegation from all the subordinate Granges will be present.

To Granges.

The members of Pomona Grange No. 19 appear to take very little interest in the success and welfare of their fellow Grangers. It is seldom that the editor of the Grange department of their regularly chosen organ can get any information from the various granges as to their condition—whether they are flourishing or languishing, whether the members are taking an interest in their Grange or not, etc. Stir up my brethren, and let us hear from you. It is to you that we look for assistance in making the Grange department interesting to all our readers.

A New Way to Catch Coons.

The following article from an exchange has some truth in it, and for the benefit of those who may like coons we publish it:

As coon will soon be large enough for the coons to bother it, and as you frequently give information gratis, I write this for the benefit of my brother farmers. Last year I went to a drug store to buy strychnine for use to kill coons in the field, but the druggist made a mistake and put up morphine, all of which I did not know until I got ready to use; so I used it, and the next morning the field was full of coons all fast asleep.

Property in Game.

Game in its wild state properly belongs to nobody. It is only when it is reduced to possession, or killed, that it can be called property. A qualified property in game, even in the wild state, exists in common law. Property in game is the property of the hunter.

It is to kill and take all such animals as *ferae naturae*, as may from time to time be found on his land, as soon as that right is exercised, the animal so killed or caught becomes the absolute property of the owner of the soil. Aside from the question of trespass, if a man kill or capture a wild animal it becomes his property; and depriving him of, or injuring it, can be punished both civilly and criminally. But until the game is actually killed or captured, the sportsman has no property in it, even though he may have wounded it or be on the point of catching it, and any one has a right to "come in at the death" and seize the game if he can. But although there is no ownership of game until it is actually reduced to possession, it has been decided in England that an action will lie against one who intentionally frightens away game from another man's land or water.—*American Agriculturist*.

From Granny's Quarter.

We have had more rain—just enough to break ditches, keep up the creek, spread out the branches make the grass grow and prevent the necessity of wearing out our plows by constant use. The gee-haw man has had a good time of it lately looking at the rain fall. He is not obliged to go far for water. He consoles himself with the reflection that what is one man's loss is another's gain, for while his guano has left him it has gone back to the sea coast to help some one else, and he questions the humanity of a turpentine team pulling a load of hay from Camden when the fact has been demonstrated right here that grass will grow rapidly, luxuriantly and right straight along without help.

We met one the other day going to mill. He had his breeches rolled up and his shoes were muddy. He was polite and had an expression of countenance as admirable as the state of the weather would admit. After exchanging civilities, he asked us if we had any "later vines to spare." Said he had "got out" all he had in every clean place he could find; had been at it for a week and expected to continue as long as the supply lasted. "for," said he, "it's a pity to let such fine weather pass away and not set out later vines." We asked him if he sung many Sunday school songs now. Oh, yes! I am learning a new one—"What shall the harvest be?"

G. Q.

An exchange, ridiculing the ridiculous county fairs, which make no effort at good shows, says that the Chesterfield fair consisted of a calf, a goose and a pumpkin. It rained so hard the first night that the goose swam off, the calf broke loose and ate the pumpkin, and a thief prowling around stole the calf, and that ended the fair.

Colored Excursion to Charleston.

By special arrangement with the railroad officials, arrangements have been made to run an excursion to Charleston on Wednesday, July 21st. A special coach will be kept for the accommodation of any white persons who may wish to take advantage of this occasion to visit the city. Fare for the round trip, only \$1.50. Tickets for sale by E. H. Dibble, D. M. Shannon, T. A. James and George Caney. Refreshments will be served on the train. Secure your tickets at once. The train will stop at all stations on the Camden Branch. For further information, apply to Winyah James or Isaac English.

Primary Elections.

EDITOR: Please answer me questions about primaries. See that a State Convention is called to meet in Columbia in August. What effect can primary elections have on that?

A meeting of the Executive Committee is called to select a County Chairman in this county.

I ask the same question over again. Please give us some light on the subject, for although it may be very plain to some there are a good many who cannot take it all in at a glance.

INQUIRER.

The convention which meets in Columbia on the 4th of August is nominally for the purpose of making up a State ticket. However, if a majority of the delegates should see fit to do so, they can forego making nominations and remand the matter to the Democratic voters of the State to make the said nominations by the primary election system.

The Democratic Executive Committee which meets on next Saturday will only elect a temporary Chairman. The regular or permanent county Chairman will be elected by the county convention when it meets.—Ed.

Grand-Master-Workman Powder-py on Rum.

In the whole English language I can find no word that strikes more terror to my soul than the one word "Rum." It was born in hell and the fiat of "no redemption" had gone forth. Its life on earth has been one of ruin to the hopes of youth and the peace of old age. It has

been the cause of the loss of innocence, the bloom from the cheeks of manhood. It has touched the heart of old age like the tip of a poisoned arrow. Its sound, as it gurgles from the neck of a bottle, echoes through many a desolate household as the hissing of a thousand serpents. You may deem me too radical on this point. Yet I never interfere with the rights of a man to drink if he so elects. I hold I have a right to, and do shun rum as I would an enraged tiger, neither meddling with or allowing it to meddle with me. So long as it keeps its distance I am content to leave it alone, but the moment it attempts to interfere with my rights by coming into the Kingdom of Labor, then my soul rises in arms against it, and I can find no words too bitter, no denunciation too scathing to hurl against it.

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State of South Carolina.

Office of the Comptroller General.

Columbia, S. C., June 26th, 1886.

I hereby certify that Messrs. Kennedy & Williams of Camden, S. C., Agents of

The Southern of New Orleans.

Incorporated by the State of Louisiana has complied with the requisition of the Act of the General Assembly entitled "An Act to regulate the Agencies of Insurance Companies not incorporated in the State of South Carolina," and I hereby license the said Kennedy & Williams, agents aforesaid to take risks and transact all business of insurance in this State, in the County of Kershaw, for and in behalf of said Company.

Expires March 31st, 1887.

W. E. STONEY, Comptroller General.

For Sale.

A Cutting Knife, Sinclair patent, as good as new. Can be bought low down for cash. Call at McCright's Shop.

Letters Dismissory.

I hereby give notice that thirty days after date I will apply to J. D. Dunlap, Judge of Probate for Kershaw county, for letters dismissory as administrator of the estate and effects of Robert Man, deceased.

J. C. MAN, Adm'r.

July 8, 86.

Notice to Trespassers.

I hereby warn all persons from trespassing in any manner whatever upon my plantation in West Wateree, near Buck Hill. This notice is positive, and I want all persons to obey it. JOHN HIGGINS.

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